Customize appearance

Pop Beat: Eminem, Spice Girls, Jewel ...

Rapper to collaborate with Tha Alkaholiks; girl group to issue new single; vocalist records with talk-show host.
By MTV News Staff
By MTV News Staff
August 29, 2000 / 10:03 PM
Rappers **Tha Alkaholiks** will collaborate with **Eminem** on a track for their upcoming album, *XO,* due in February, the group said. "It's gonna be sick, demented, belligerent and all that," said Alkaholiks DJ **E-Swift**, who is working on the beat for the track, "Just Be Careful." ...

Pop group the **Spice Girls** plan to release a double A-side as the first single from their upcoming album, *Forever* (Nov. 7), their publicist said. The single, which should surface in October, will feature the songs "Holler" and "Let Love Lead the Way," both co-written and produced by famed hip-hop/R&B producer **Rodney Jerkins** (**Brandy**, **Michael Jackson**). *Forever,* which follows 1997's *Spiceworld,* also features production work by **Jimmy Jam** and **Terry Lewis** (**Janet Jackson**). ... **Jewel** has re-recorded her holiday song "Face of Love" as a duet with talk show host **Rosie O'Donnell**. The song, whose original version appeared on Jewel's 1999 album *Joy: A Holiday Celebration,* will be released in time for the holidays. ...

Prog-rockers **Yes** will release a double-CD titled *House of Yes — Live From the House of Blues* on Sept. 12, a spokesperson said. The discs will feature material from a 1999 Las Vegas concert, which has been released on home video and DVD. ... **Sarah McLachlan** won another court victory in her legal battles with record producer **Darryl Neudorf** last week. A British Columbia Supreme Court ruled that Neudorf would have to pay the pop singer's legal costs of more than $350,000. Justice Bruce Cohen ordered Neudorf to pay 60 percent of McLachlan's "special costs" plus the extra costs incurred by his rejection of an offer to settle out of court. The original lawsuit, dismissed in December, dealt with whether Neudorf should share credit on four of McLachlan's songs from her 1998 album, *Touch.* Neudorf filed for bankruptcy earlier this year. ...

A woman who entered **George Harrison**'s home in Maui, Hawaii, in December was released with one year of probation after spending four months in jail, the *Associated Press* reported. The woman had been found eating pizza and doing her laundry in Harrison's estate. The former **Beatles** guitarist was not in Hawaii at the time. ... **Melissa Etheridge**, **Kenny Loggins** and **Graham Nash** will perform Sept. 28 at a fund-raiser in Santa Monica, Calif. Comedian Dennis Miller will host the show, which benefits the Dream Foundation, an organization that grants wishes to the terminally ill. ...

The members of long-disbanded new-wave group the **Cars** recently got together for the first time in 13 years to record an interview, a spokesperson for Rhino Home Video said. The interview will be on the DVD version of an Oct. 24 home-video release, "Cars Live," which features material drawn from a 1979 German concert. ... **Neil Young**, **John Mellencamp**, **Willie Nelson**, **Beck**, **Steve Earle** and the **Neville Brothers** are among the 20 artists featured on *Farm Aid: Volume One Live,* a double-CD with 25 songs taken from the annual benefit performances during the past 15 years. The CD — which also features **Dave Matthews Band**, **Trisha Yearwood**, **Johnny Cash**, **Susan Tedeschi** and **Bonnie Raitt** — will hit stores Sept. 12, five days before the Farm Aid 2000 concert. ...

Pop-punks **Blink-182** will release a live album Nov. 7 titled *Blink-182 Live — the Mark, Tom, and Travis Show (The Enema Strikes Back).* The collection will include one new studio track, "Man Overboard." ... **Pearl Jam** have announced that blankets will not be allowed at their shows for safety reasons, saying, "Unfortunately, some people have been using them as trampolines, resulting in injuries. We don't want anyone injured." A posting on their Web site (www.sonymusic.com/artists/PearlJam) says they will allow ponchos and small beach towels. ...

Wednesday's birthdays (Aug. 30): **John Phillips** (**Mamas and the Papas**), 65; **John McNally** (**Searchers**), 59; **Chuck Colbert** (**American Breed**), 56; **Micky Moody** (**Whitesnake**), 50; **Ronald Beitle** (**Wild Cherry**), 46; and **Martin Jackson** (**Swing Out Sister**), 42.

— sonicnet.com staff report